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Applicants : Hirokazu NAGASAWA et al. Notice of Allowance
Dated: 05/04/2004
Serial No. : 09/604,632 Confirmation No. 3984
For : SIGNAL INPUT AND OUTPUT APPARATUS THAT DISCRIMINATES BETWEEN PLURALITY OF DIFFERENT DEVICES EACH ISSUING UNIQUE CONTROL SIGNALS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMULTANEOUSLY THROUGH SINGLE TRANSMISSION PATH
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicants are filing this Information Disclosure Statement and the accompanying form PTO-1449 along

purpose of considering the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) submitted herewith. This Petition is filed to permit consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement under §1.97, submitted with the RCE filed concurrently herewith.

Applicants' representative has just been advised that prior art cited during the prosecution of the corresponding Chinese application may be material and copies of such prior art materials are submitted herewith in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement. Since an Information Disclosure Statement will not be considered at this stage in the prosecution of the present application, namely, subsequent to the payment of Issue Fee, it is requested that said application be withdrawn from issue and that the RCE and Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith be considered.

The requisite Petition fee in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed herewith. Please charge any deficiency therein, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

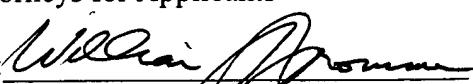
Accordingly, Petitioners respectfully request that the petition herein to withdraw this application from issue be granted.

Petitioners also respectfully request that the previously submitted Issue Fee be held so that it may be applied upon receipt of a new Notice of Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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with copies of the prior art therein identified. Such prior art has come to the attention of applicants by being cited in a Search Report issued in the corresponding Chinese application on April 25, 2003.

The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement is not an admission that the documents identified herein constitute prior art to the present application.

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